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METHOD FOR PRODUCING SUCH AN ELEMENT, AND AN OPTICAL

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In response to the Final Office Action dated December 1, 2005, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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